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### **Judge Finds Promaj Guilty of Fraud**

(Phoenix, Ariz. - July 29, 2004) Paul Promaj, the manager of a Southern Arizona medical transportation contractor called Angel Transport will be sentenced on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2004 for his role in a mileage scheme designed to collect money from three AHCCSS (Arizona Health Cost Containment System) contractors.

Cochise County Superior Court Presiding Judge Thomas Collins found Promaj guilty of one count Fraud Schemes and Artifices, two counts of Theft, two counts of Money Laundering and three counts of Forgery for turning in false mileage claims and inflating mileage.

Promaj faces a minimum of three years and a maximum of 12.5 years in prison. The State is also seeking restitution in the amount of \$189,762.65 for losses incurred by Arizona Physicians IPA and Cochise Health Systems. The Sentencing is scheduled to take place in Cochise County Superior Court.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant Attorneys General Todd Lawson and Erica Gonzalez-Melendez, both are members of the Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. This unit was named National Fraud Unit of the Year in 2003 by the Office of the Inspector General.

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